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## Definition of *upon*

(Entry 1 of 2)

: [on](#)

upon

[adverb](#)

up·on | \ ə-ˈpɒn  -ˈpän \

Definition of *upon* (Entry 2 of 2)

1 obsolete : on the surface : on it

2 obsolete : [thereafter](#), [thereon](#)

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## Synonyms for *upon*

Synonyms: Preposition

- [against](#),
- [on](#)

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Preposition He carefully placed the vase *upon* the table. They built their city *upon* a cliff overlooking the sea. She was seated *upon* a throne.  
an assault *upon* traditional values She was admitted to his office immediately *upon* her arrival. That kind of behavior is frowned *upon*.

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## First Known Use of *upon*

Preposition

12th century, in the meaning defined [above](#)

Adverb

13th century, in the meaning defined at [sense 1](#)

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Andrew

Alternate definition: an improvised explosive  
-source: Nott the Brave  
Mighty Nien Critical...

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FEK

...stumbled upon it  
when I was looking up  
the etymology of the  
French word word...

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A.Forbers

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And he said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

2 Corinthians 12:9

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**IliaziFatmir** · 14 June, 2011 ...

Upon means "it is made". The nuance can be found only in the Albanian.

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It has appeared in the bible; Luke 4:18 The spirit of the Lord is upon me,

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: [on entry 1](#) I put the plate *upon* the table. ... she was glad to be an ordinary person who would never be called *upon* for courage.— Lois Lowry, *Number the Stars*

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## Ending a Sentence with a Preposition

An old-fashioned rule we can no longer

- put up with.

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English was never the same after the

- Norman Conquest



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A simple way to keep them apart. (Most of the time.)

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